

Anderson Intelligence.

The Sorrows of Cooks Now-a-Days in the Sunny South.

BY ONE OF 'EM.

It has always been greatly the fashion to pity the sorrows of poor seamstresses, working in miserable attics, as represented in that doleful "Song of the Shirt;" or of underpaid governesses; and many tears have been shed by gentle eyes over the fictitious sorrows of fictitious Uncle Toms, etc. but you never see any one pity the sorrows of a cook. I suppose people think their sympathy would be wasted, but I don't think so. Cooks have never had full justice done to them, and it is time that, amid the numerous appeals of the day, their claims for sympathy should be appreciated too.

The truth is, that it is a most ungrateful occupation. Don't I know, for am not I a cook myself? Haven't I tried to repeat Tennyson's

Break, break on thy cold gray eyes, O Sea! while making the biscuits for breakfast? It wouldn't do; they don't harmonize. I had to give it up.

There's nothing like being in misery yourself to make you feel for others, O my sisters, Biddy in the North, Hannah in the West, and Dinah in the South, I stretch out my hands to you, and hold hands with you, figuratively, I for give you all the burnt biscuits, "kitchen coffee," and raw meat with a touch of smoke on it, that you have ever made me eat. I am a cook myself! To this have the destinies of war reduced me!

I happen to hold the honorable position of cook at present to a highly honorable, extremely poverty-stricken family. O, that I could induce some one else to take the position, but I can't! I have been shedding tears, grimy tears of soot and sorrow combined, since seven o'clock yesterday morning, that being the hour at which I was "inducted" into the mysteries of kitchen work. The bread was brown, and the water scold' boil, and the fire won't burn, and altogether I feel as if I should like to say "confound it" a good many times, only Mamma's hair would stand on end under her cap if I did, so I content myself with weeping, beads, like tears!

Now, Tom, out to a great advantage over me. He says "dog gone!" every time he gives a cut, and I really think it relieves him, for he isn't near so cross as when he first commenced. I went out some little time ago to bring in some wood for the stove. He looked as if he had been taking a shower-bath, and he said "dog gone!" to me. He said "dog gone!" every time he gives a cut, and I really think it relieves him, for he isn't near so cross as when he first commenced. I went out some little time ago to bring in some wood for the stove. He looked as if he had been taking a shower-bath, and he said "dog gone!" to me. He said "dog gone!" every time he gives a cut, and I really think it relieves him, for he isn't near so cross as when he first commenced.

How true it is that we never thoroughly understand each other until we have had a quarrel. It is certainly true in regard to our cook Jane. So long as we had her, I was accustomed to regard her as a very black, good humored, indifferent sort of cook, rather lazy and fond of talking. Now I look on her as an individual whom I did not half esteem; her very faults have turned to virtues in my eyes. When shall I look on her like again?

Tom announced to me to-day that we should soon have a cook, as he had posted himself at the corner of the street and engaged each colored lady that came along, up to the number of six. They all unhesitatingly promised to go, so far as not to make her appearance; but I don't bear them any malice on that account, oh, no! The African hath a gentle heart, and hath to pain people. It was to avoid seeing the anguish depicted on Tom's countenance if they had refused; not that they ever had the slightest intention of coming.

Well, if there is anything that could console me, it ought to be Jane's parting words. When she mentioned that she was going to "quit," I was overcome with sorrow, and ventured to ask why she was going to do so; if I had not given her satisfaction, I had enough to do so. But she answered me quite affably: "No, honey, 'tain't that, I'm very well satisfied with you an' the rest, but my health ain't what it used to be, and I mus' have change of air, or the dispepsy will carry me off; an' I aint able to cook this hot weather." As soon as I heard that it was the dispepsy, I felt that I had made her appearance; but I don't bear them any malice on that account, oh, no! The African hath a gentle heart, and hath to pain people. It was to avoid seeing the anguish depicted on Tom's countenance if they had refused; not that they ever had the slightest intention of coming.

But to return to Jane. As soon as "dispepsy" came on the scene, I said no more, but entreated her acceptance of a polonaise, and requested her to send one of her friends to fill the vacancy, which she graciously consented to do. I gave her "No, honey, 'tain't that, I'm very well satisfied with you an' the rest, but my health ain't what it used to be, and I mus' have change of air, or the dispepsy will carry me off; an' I aint able to cook this hot weather." As soon as I heard that it was the dispepsy, I felt that I had made her appearance; but I don't bear them any malice on that account, oh, no! The African hath a gentle heart, and hath to pain people. It was to avoid seeing the anguish depicted on Tom's countenance if they had refused; not that they ever had the slightest intention of coming.

As a modern essayist defines gossip to be the "putting of two and two together and making five of them." We know some persons because we do not know them, and we will not know them because we hate them.

There is danger that the spelling disorder will break out all over the land with the return of cold weather. A maiden's heart like a hotel bed is never discovered the previous occupant, but you may be sure there has been one.

The proposed new constitution of North Carolina prohibits marriages between blacks and whites to the third generation. An Alabama paper complains that the chicken cholera and protracted colored meetings, the poultry raising is seriously depressed.

It was Voltaire who said: "It is more easy to write about money than to have it; and those who have it laugh at the money of those who do not." Put on ladies' dresses it is reasonably predicted that the coming winter is to be an uncommonly hard one—for husbands and fathers.

— Jones says his wife is a mind reader. As he was crawling up to bed the other night she yelled out "Care, you're drunk and you're going to bed!" He thought himself. — A mother can't understand how it is that her girls can play croquet for half a day and not feel tired, and yet if one of them is asked to wash the dishes she reaches for the camphor bottle.

— A woman who recently died near Hanover, Pa., is supposed to have been the oldest vegetarian in the United States. He eschewed a meat diet, 26 years ago, and has led the life of a hermit ever since. — Little Julia, just five years old, being cautioned by her brother to wash her hands before she ate her supper, and being told she would have the night mare, stayed to know where the night mare stayed in the daytime.

— A Wisconsin editor illustrates the prevailing extravagance of the present day calling attention to a costly baby carriage, and how while when he was a baby, they hauled him around by the hair of his head. — A lady, whose family was very much in the habit of proposing connivances, was one evening asked by her husband in an excited tone: "Why are all these doors open?" "I gave it up," instantly answered the lady. — A three-year-old boy asked his mother to let him have his building bricks to play with; but she told her darling that it was Sunday, and therefore not proper for him to have them. "But, mamma, I'll build a church." He got the bricks.

— An Illinois editor boasts of being the proud possessor of several ears of Egyptian corn that are quite a curiosity. Husks not only enclose the ears, but the kernels themselves are each covered with a husk, the same in texture as the outside husks. — A very well educated bird, a species of canary, of a dark, mottled color, is exhibited by a San Francisco Chinaman. At the word of command it selects out of a series of envelopes those containing cards which have the day of the month and the hour of day, rarely, if ever, making a mistake.

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